

REMARKS

At the outset, the Examiner is thanked for the thorough review and consideration of the pending application. The Office Action dated November 22, 2006 has been received.

By this response, claims 1, 10 and 12 are hereby amended. Accordingly, claims 1-13 are currently pending. Reexamination and reconsideration of the pending claims is respectfully requested.

The rejection of claim 1 under 35 U.S.C. § 112, second paragraph, as being indefinite for failing to particularly point out and distinctly claim the subject matter which applicant regards as the invention is respectfully traversed and reconsideration is requested. Applicants respectfully submit that this rejection is traversed in light of the amendment to claim 1.

The rejection of claims 1-12 under 35 U.S.C. § 112, first paragraph, is respectfully traversed and reconsideration is requested. The Office Action states that “the specification while being enabling for a pattern for a liquid crystal display device, does not reasonably provide enablement for other devices other than the LCD device.” Applicants respectfully submit that this rejection is traversed in light of the amendments to claims 1, 10 and 12.

The rejection of claims 1-12 under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as being unpatentable over U.S. Patent Pub. No. 2002/0124866 to Kim et al. (hereinafter “Kim”) in combination with U.S. Patent No. 5,403,616 to Hattori et al. (hereinafter “Hattori”) is respectfully traversed and reconsideration is requested. Without reaching the merits of the rejection, Applicants traverse the rejection because Kim is not valid prior art against the claims of the present application. Specifically, the present application claims priority to Korean Application No. P2002-085628, filed Dec. 27, 2002, which antedates the Jul. 3, 2003 U.S. publication date of Kim. To perfect this claim for priority, Applicants file herewith a certified English translation of Korean Application No. P2002-085628. Moreover, Kim is not valid prior art under 35 U.S.C. § 103(c) as the subject matter of Kim and the present invention were, at the time the present invention was

made, owned by the Assignee of the present invention. Reconsideration and withdrawal of the rejection are respectfully requested.

Applicant believes the foregoing amendments and remarks place the application in condition for allowance and early, favorable action is respectfully solicited.

If for any reason the Examiner finds the application other than in condition for allowance, the Examiner is requested to call the undersigned attorney at (202) 496-7500 to discuss the steps necessary for placing the application in condition for allowance. All correspondence should continue to be sent to the below-listed address.

If these papers are not considered timely filed by the Patent and Trademark Office, then a petition is hereby made under 37 C.F.R. §1.136, and any additional fees required under 37 C.F.R. §1.136 for any necessary extension of time, or any other fees required to complete the filing of this response, may be charged to Deposit Account No. 50-0911. Please credit any overpayment to deposit Account No. 50-0911. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

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